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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE BEFORE THE PRIMARY EXAMINER

Appl. No.

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Applicant

Finn, Aagaard

Filed

November 24, 2003

Title :

Apparatus and Method for Irrigating

Container-Grown Plants

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Examiner

Francis T. Palo

Docket No.

Y3.0074

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents

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RESTRICTION RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of April 10, 2007, applicant hereby elects Group I consisting of Claims 1 to 19 and Species I consisting of Figures 1 to 8 for examination with traverse.

RESTRICTION COMMENTS

Applicant has elected Group I consisting of Claims 1 to 19 and Species I consisting of Figures 1 to 8 pursuant to the restriction requirement of the Office Action. Applicant made this election with traverse. The process to the best of applicant's knowledge can only be carried out in an efficient manner by the particularly claimed device. Likewise the particularly claimed device can only be used to carry out applicant's particular process. This is especially true because the process and device are interrelated for applicant's purposes.

Furthermore, the two cited subclasses are in the same class and same technology group. Patents from either subclass may be chosen by the Examiner in an action related to either

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species or either invention.

Accordingly, withdrawal of this restriction requirement is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, all points in the restriction requirement have been discussed, thus, withdrawal of this restriction requirement is respectfully requested. As always, Applicant's attorney remains amenable to assisting the Examiner in the allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted)

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